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# Letter dated 27 June 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to convey to you and, through you, to the members of the Security Council a progress report on the voluntary return of the internally displaced persons around the area of Jabal Marrah (see annex). The report reflects in details all the arrangements and steps taken by the Government at the federal and local levels, which have contributed to stability and the normalization of the humanitarian situation.

I should be grateful if the present letter and its annex were circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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## Annex to the letter dated 27 June 2016 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

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Republic of the Sudan
Ministry of Welfare and Social Security
Humanitarian Aid Commission

### Report of the Jabal Marrah Region Support Commission

19 June 2016

### Report on the voluntary return of persons affected by the events in the Jabal Marrah region

### Introduction

Efforts by the Government and its partners to provide food and shelter to affected persons have helped to stabilize the humanitarian situation in the Jabal Marrah region. Voluntary return operations implemented in parts of Central Darfur State and North Darfur State have involved some 25,000 individuals.

### Measures taken by the Federal Government

1. The Jabal Marrah Region Support Commission, chaired by the Vice-President of the Republic, held four meetings.

2. The technical committee to provide support to the Jabal Marrah area, chaired by the Minister of State for the Ministry of Health, held 10 meetings, in addition to separate meetings with partners, including the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the World Food Programme (WFP), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and the World Health Organization (WHO).

3. The Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning approved the allocation of 10 million Sudanese pounds for voluntary return operations and the normalization of the humanitarian situation in the Jabal Marrah area as follows: 5 million pounds for the Humanitarian Aid Commission, 3 million pounds for the national water and environmental remediation initiative and 2 million pounds for the federal Ministry of Health.

4. The Humanitarian Aid Commission sent an advance mission headed by the Director of Disaster Risk Reduction and Humanitarian Assistance to make logistical arrangements and monitor aid in the region. That mission is continuing its work.

### Measures taken by the State Governments

1. Starting on 7 June 2016, the Council of Ministers of the Central Darfur State government, headed by the State Governor, spent 10 days in the Golo region to inspect conditions and address problems.

2. Approximately 4,600,000 Sudanese pounds were provided for the transport of returnees, and 672,720 Sudanese pounds were provided for the purchase of foodstuffs and shelter supplies.

3. Popular committees were formed to coordinate voluntary return operations with displaced persons.

4. The State Commission has been in contact with international and local organizations about providing assistance.

**Figures on voluntary return**

Some 82 voluntary return operations have been conducted. Some 25,460 individuals have returned to their villages of origin, including 17,900 individuals from camps in Central Darfur State and 7,879 individuals from camps in Northern Darfur State. That number does not include persons who returned via animal transport or on foot.

| *From* | *To* | *Number of individuals* |
|---|---|---|
| Guldo | Golo | 6 130 |
| Shadad | Faluga | 172 |
| Shadad | Sawani | 300 |
| Jadid (Tawilah) | Rokero | 600 |
| Jadid (Tawilah) | Various villages | 1 570 |
| Tur | Various villages | 2 522 |
| Sortony | Various villages | 2 037 |
| Nertiti | Tur | 1 050 |
| Kabkabayah | Dubli | 200 |
| Jadid (Tawilah) | Dobo Umdah and Murtal | 3 000 |
| – | Villages in North Darfur | 7 879 |
| **Total** | | **25 460** |

Above figures provided by the Central Darfur State Humanitarian Aid Commission.

**Interventions**

| | *Party* | *Item* |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | Federal Ministry of Health | (1) 260 litres of diazinon insecticide |
| | | (2) 6 foggers |
| | | (3) 31 Hudson pumps |
| | | (4) 620 litres of permethrin insecticide |
| | | (5) 14 personal health care kits |
| | | (6) 15 reproductive health kits |
| | | (7) 20 boxes of intravenous fluids |

| | Party | Item |
|---|---|---|
| | | (8) 10 water purification devices |
| | | (9) 11 miscellaneous medicines and medical items |
| 2 | State Government | (1) 4,600,000 Sudanese pounds for voluntary return operations |
| | | (2) 672,720 Sudanese pounds for foodstuffs and shelter supplies |
| | | (3) 100 tents |
| | Humanitarian Aid Commission | (1) 5,000 sacks of millet from the Agricultural Bank's strategic reserve in Rabak |
| | | (2) 150,000 Sudanese pounds transferred to the Central Darfur Commission to support return operations |
| 3 | The Zakat Chamber | 10,000 boxes of fast-breaking bags |
| | Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees | 10,000 tarpaulins |
| | | 10,000 blankets |
| | | 10,000 carpets |
| | | 10,000 empty jerrycans |
| | National water and environmental remediation initiative | 2 27 kV electricity generators (Central Darfur — Zalingei) |
| | | 2 submersible 40-hose pumps (Central Darfur – Zalingei) |
| | | 25 hand pumps (Central Darfur — Zalingei) |
| | | Spare parts for pumps (Central Darfur — Zalingei) |
| | | 600 plastic toilet seats (Central Darfur — Zalingei) |
| | | Spare parts for pumps (Southern Darfur — Nyala) |
| | | 4 pumps (Southern Darfur – Nyala) |
| | | 500 plastic toilet seats (Southern Darfur — Nyala) |
| | Zubayr Charitable Foundation | (1) 300 large tarpaulins |
| | | (2) 20 boxes of insecticide |
| | | (3) 15 hand pumps |

• WFP was authorized to provide 1.878 tons of foodstuffs (for 69,535 individuals) in the Tur, Nertiti, Golo and Guldo regions, including wheat, lentils and children's biscuits, for three months. They will be distributed through the Sudanese Red Crescent Society.

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- WFP was authorized to provide to provide 1.355 tons of foodstuffs (for 75,323 individuals) in the Fanga and Rokero areas north of Jabal Marrah, including wheat, lentils and children's biscuits, for two months. They will be distributed through the Sudanese Red Crescent Society.
- The Sudanese Red Crescent Society is transporting and distributing supplies provided by the High Commission for Refugee Affairs.